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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINT, PN

SUBJECT: ALLEGED ANTI-GOP CONSPIRATORS IN THE CANAL ZONE

REF: PANAM 6485

1. IN INTERVIEWS WITH PANCANAL AUTHORITIES, LUIS ARCHULETA DENIES HIS FAMILY AND HOME EVER USED FOR ANTI-GOP PLOTTING. ACKNOWLEDGES THAT A MEETING OF WOMEN REFERRED TO IN GOP STATEMENT DID TAKE PLACE, BUT ON SEPTEMBER 15 RATHER THAN SEPTEMBER 14, AND THAT MEETING WAS PRIMARILY A GOSSIP AND RUMOR SESSION AMONG HIS WIFE AND HER VISITORS (WHICH INCLUDE EUSEBIO MARCHOSKY). ARCHULETA CLAIMS THAT SESSION AND TOPIC WAS SUCH THAT HE DID NOT EVEN BOTHER TO STAY IN THE ROOM.

2. VIRGILIO RAMIREZ ALSO CATEGORICALLY DENIES CHARGES IN LOCAL PRESS. RAMIREZ ADMITS TO BEING IN AREA OF DEMONSTRATIONS ON SEPTEMBER 14, BUT WAS OFF DUTY (HE IS AN PANCANAL POLICE OFFICER). HE ALSO SAID HE WAS IN AND OUT OF STORE "PETIT PENSION" PRIMARILY BECAUSE HE IS PART OWNER OF ESTABLISHMENT ALONG WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF DE LA LASTRA FAMILY, AND WAS CONCERNED

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ABOUT POSSIBLE DAMAGE TO STORE.

3. CANAL ZONE AUTHORITIES HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO DETERMINE  
IF CARLOS GONZALEZ DE LA LASTRA IS IN THE CANAL ZONE.  
HIS WIFE IS PRESENTLY STAYING WITH THE RAMIREZ FAMILY  
SINCE MRS. RAMIREZ IS SISTER OF CARLOS DE LA LASTRA  
AND MRS. DE LA LASTRA IS NATURALLY RELUCTANT TO  
RETURN TO HER HOME IN PANAMA CITY.  
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